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SUBJ: POPE RECEIVES PAKISTANI POW WIVES

1. FOUR PAKISTANI POW WIVES HAD BRIEF SEMI- PRIVATE AUDIENCE WITH POPE PAUL WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11. AS IS USUAL WITH THIS TYPE AUDIENCE THERE NO COVERAGE IN " OSSERVATORE ROMANO;" HOWEVER, VATICAN DID ISSUE PRESS RELEASE AT REQUEST PAKISTANI EMBASSY TO HOLY SEE.

2. VATICAN SOURCES INFORMED US THAT INDIAN AMB TO HOLY SEE SINGH, WHO RECENTLY VISITED ROME FROM BERN WHERE HE RESIDES, HAD SUGGESTED THAT VATICAN CONSIDER MODERATING ROLE IN SUBCONTINENT DISPUTE. HE NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT IT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE TO CONSIDER RETURN OF POW' S UNTIL PAKISTAN RECOGNIZES BANGLADESH. VATICAN OFFICIALS TOLD SINGH THAT IT UNFAIR MAKE POW' S PAWNS IN SUCH POLITICAL BARGAINING, BUT VATICAN REFUSED ANY MODERATING ROLE ON GROUNDS WHOLE ISSUE TOO HIGHLY POLITICAL. BEAUDRY

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